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bearing the above listed Procter & Gamble Company Case number, the specification of which was filed as PCT/US99/20503, designating at least the United States of America, with the United States Receiving Office on 07 September 1999.

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6-00 Full name of sole or sixth inventor: LAMENDOLA, Ritaiba
Inventor's signature [Signature] Date 06/03/01

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Citizenship: IT
Post Office Address: ITX

7-00 Full name of seventh joint inventor, if any: PALUMBO, Gianfranco
Inventor's signature [Signature] Date March 06, '01

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Inventor's signature [Signature]

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Inventor's signature Pietro Favia

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Inventor's signature  Date 10-9-01


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Full name of fifth joint inventor, if any: FRANCE, Paul Amaat Raymond Gerard
Inventor's signature  Date 3-15-00
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PATENT DIVISION CORRESPONDENCE

FROM: Patent Division - International

DATE:

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TO:

J V Bamher

RE:

U.S. National Phase Entry for P&G Case

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The above-referenced case just entered the National Phase in the USPTO from an International (PCT) Application. Prior to effecting the U.S. National Phase entry, the Patent Division - International contacted the Associate General Counsel - Patents for the relevant area of technology to determine the U.S. attorney/agent who will hold responsibility for the U.S. prosecution of this application. The AGC indicated that this case was to be assigned to your docket.

About eighteen (18) months ago, this case came due for international filings under the Paris Convention. An International Application was filed in the U.S. or IB Receiving Office based on filing instructions received at that time. The U.S. was among the countries designated on the International Application form. This PCT application recently came due for National Phase entry and we were instructed to effect entry into the USPTO. All formal matters regarding National Phase entry have been handled (or are being handled) by the International Section. Your first duty regarding this application is the filing of an IDS according to the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.56. Please note, the time clock for determining events related to Rule 56 starts with the date the application is accepted as meeting all requirements for National Phase entry under 35 CFR § 371. From a practical standpoint, you should view the date the National Phase entry forms were submitted to the USPTO under 37 CFR § 1.10 as the entry date. If the Declaration was not submitted at this time, the actual starting date will be the date the Declaration is filed. The non-PCT international case files have been checked and

☐ additional art citations are attached, or ☐ no additional art citations were found.

☐ Attached please find the PCT International Search Report with cited art.

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Attached are the materials representing the activities that occurred through the International Phase of this case as well as the papers filed to effect National Phase entry. The items listed in **BOLD-UNDERLINED-ITALICIZED** type are part of the National Application and should be included "on the posts" in your file wrapper. Other items relate to pertinent International Phase prosecution and are included for your information, but they are not generally available to the U.S. examiner and are not part of the National file wrapper at the USPTO. (see over)

INTERNATIONAL PUBLICATION:

This is the official copy of the specification, abstract and drawings. The claims included are the European-style filed with the PCT application.

PCT WRITTEN OPINION:

This is the PCT "office action." It is our first look at the PCT examiner's opinion.

WRITTEN OPINION RESPONSE:

If we choose to respond to the Written Opinion (optional), this is our response.

INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT:

This is the final advisory opinion sent by PCT to all countries. If not 100% favorable, this will be (at least in part) the substance of your first US office action.

TRANSMITTAL LETTER (FORM PTO-1390):

Form used to effect U.S. National Phase entry.

POSTCARD RECEIPT:

The postcard receipt from the USPTO showing the date of receipt and the newly assigned USSN.

ASSOCIATE POWER OF ATTORNEY:

Self-explanatory.

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT:

Formal amendments to convert EPO claims to U.S. claims. (Multiple dependent claims are eliminated.)

DECLARATION:

☒ attached ☐ to follow

U.S. inventors declaration. Declaration obtained and filed by the International Section. If not available at the time of National Phase entry, we will obtain and file. Please forward Notice of Missing Parts to International Section - Attn.: Jamie Herald.

ASSIGNMENT:

☒ attached ☐ to follow

The US assignment is obtained for you by the International Section. The US assignment is not filed by the International Section - please file the assignment according to your usual practice.

TRANSMITTAL LETTER (FORM PTO-1390 SECOND SUBMISSION (US DECLARATION))

☒ attach d

notification of missing requirements

Declaration not available at time of filing. Obtained and filed Form PTO-1390 Second Submission.

The notice of acceptance into the U.S. National Phase will arrive in two to four months after the entry has been made. The filing receipt will follow shortly after that. Please note that the National Phase entry will appear on the filing receipt as a separate filing with a separate filing date (i.e., it will look like the case is a continuation of the PCT filing). Regardless, the PCT filing date is the filing date for all purposes except 35 USC § 102(e); the National Phase entry date will be listed as the § 102(e) date. If you have any questions about procedures in the International Phase or National Phase entry, please call T. David Reed, Jamie Herald or Genny Byrd.